

GAMING TAX CODE

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Domestic Policy held a hearing on Gaming the Tax Code: Public Subsidies, Private Profits, and Big League Sports in New York. Testimony was heard from Stephen Larson, Associate Chief Counsel, Financial Institutions and Products, IRS, Department of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

ROLE OF SOCIAL SCIENCE IN PUBLIC HEALTH

Committee on Science and Technology: Subcommittee on Research and Science Education held a hearing on the Role of Social Sciences in Public Health. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MAKING HEALTH CARE REFORM WORK FOR SMALL BUSINESS

Committee on Small Business: Held a hearing entitled “(Making Health Care Reform Work for Small Business.” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

TRANSPORTATION PLANNING

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Highways and Transit held a hearing on Transportation Planning. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

EMERGING CONTAMINANTS IN U.S. WATERS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment held a hearing on Emerging Contaminants in U.S. Waters. Testimony was heard from Congresswoman Carolyn McCarthy; Benjamin Grumbles, Assistant Administrator, Water, EPA; and Matthew Larsen, Associate Director, Water, U.S. Geological Survey; and public witnesses.

EFFECTIVENESS OF VA’S TRAINING PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT AND ACCOUNTABILITY

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs: Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs held a hearing on Examining the Effectiveness of the Veterans Benefits Administration Training, Performance Management and Accountability. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Veterans’ Affairs; Veterans Benefits Administration: Michael Walcott, Deputy Under Secretary, Benefits; Dorothy MacKay, Director, Employee Development and Training; and Bradley Mayes, Director, Compensation and Pension Service; Daniel Bertoni, Director, Education, Workforce and Income Security Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

POLICY OPTIONS TO PREVENT CLIMATE CHANGE

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on Policy Options to Prevent Climate Change. Testimony was heard from Peter Orszag, Director, COB; Michael Bloomberg, Mayor, New York City, New York; and public witnesses.

CYBER SECURITY

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to hold a hearing on Cyber Security. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

RUSSIA

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Subcommittee on Terrorism, Human Intelligence, Analysis, and Counterintelligence met in executive session to hold a hearing on Russia. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

GREEN ROADS TO ECONOMIC RECOVERY

Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming: Held a hearing entitled “The Green Road to Economic Recovery.” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D1101)

S. 2837, to designate the United States courthouse located at 225 Cadman Plaza East, Brooklyn, New York, as the “Theodore Roosevelt United States Courthouse”. Signed on September 17, 2008. (Public Law 110–319)

S. 2403, to designate the United States courthouse located in the 700 block of East Broad Street, Richmond, Virginia, as the “Spottswood W. Robinson III and Robert R. Merhige, Jr., United States Courthouse”. Signed on September 18, 2008. (Public Law 110–320)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2008

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

No committee meetings are scheduled.